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TOPIC Neptun Shipyard in Rostock

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1. Repairs to destroyers [redacted] were being rushed during July 1950. [redacted] had completed her first trial runs, and [redacted] was undergoing steam tests. It was established that the hulls of the two destroyers were damaged while they were being docked after removal of the engines. The two vessels were twisted about their longitudinal axis since carelessly set bilge blocks had caused excessive torsional stress. Attempts to straighten this twist had been unsuccessful. The engines and accessory parts for the two destroyers had arrived in Rostock from the U.S.S.R.*
2. In July 1950 workers and employees of the shipyard totaled 6,800. Engineer Schlaak, (fnu), managing engineer of the yard, and Cultural Manager Werther, (fnu), were removed from their offices in July 1950. The latter was replaced by one Pegels, (fnu).
3. In addition to repairing Soviet merchant vessels and warships, the shipyard was engaged in the construction of drifters for the U.S.S.R. The 1950 building program of the Neptun Yard provided for the completion of 40 drifters. Drifters [redacted] left the yard on 19 June 1950. Drifters [redacted] were being fitted-out beside the assembly quay or were making their trial runs at the end of June 1950.

[redacted] Comment. The date set for the completion of the two destroyers was August 1950. As a result of the damage their delivery may have been for delayed several months.

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